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29 October 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Community Counterintelligence and Security
Countermeasures Staff

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: DoD Steps Toward Eliminating Unauthorized Disclosures

I am counting on you to keep track of the protections that exist in the Executive Branch against unauthorized disclosures. Will you follow through on the attached.



William J. Casey

Attachments:

1. Ltr to DCI, dtd 20 October 1986,
from Craig Alderman, Jr.
2. DCI's Response to above letter,
dtd 29 October 1986



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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

29 October 1986

Mr. Craig Alderman, Jr.
Deputy Under Secretary for Policy
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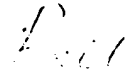
Dear Craig,

Thanks for your note laying out the steps taken by DoD toward eliminating unauthorized disclosures. I hope we will be able to get steps taken elsewhere in the Executive Branch.

Will you tell me what the existing rules are governing press contacts in the Department of Defense. I'd also be interested in your experience in controlling sensitive information and in the success you have had in placing more emphasis on classifying only that information which needs to be classified.

Congratulations on your good work.

Yours,



William J. Casey

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Remarks Enclosed Ltr responds to DCI's Ltr of
29 Sep 86, which forwarded the August (UDAC) report
of Unauthorized Disclosures.

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In reply refer to:
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Honorable William J. Casey
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Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

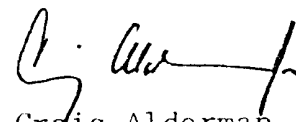
We in Defense share your concern over unauthorized disclosures and we practice a vigorous, unified program to preclude such activity and investigate assiduously when we find them.

We have taken the following steps toward eliminating unauthorized disclosures in DoD:

- (1) Controlled circulation of sensitive information.
- (2) Instituted a 16% across-the-board cut in the number of people holding security clearance in the past year.
- (3) Required an annual review of all distribution lists used for the dissemination of classified information to ensure that only persons with a need-to-know such information are listed.
- (4) Placed more emphasis upon classifying only that which needs to be classified.
- (5) Enforced existing rules governing press contacts.
- (6) Continued to investigate significant unauthorized disclosures of classified information, and where those responsible can be identified, deal firmly with them.

I agree wholeheartedly with you that a unified, positive approach to this problem can and will help us keep classified information from being indiscriminately disclosed to the public. You can count on our continued cooperation and support.

Sincerely,



Craig Alderman, Jr.
Deputy



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